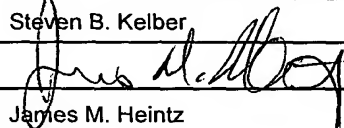


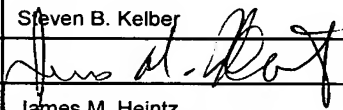
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	First Inventor or Application Identifier	Robert James VIMINI
	Title	PACKAGING AND COOKING BAG AND METHOD FOR PACKAGING AND PREPARING A MEAT PRODUCT

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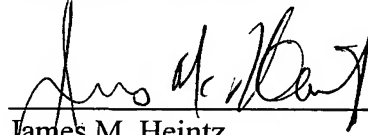
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